

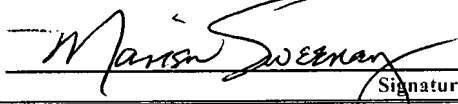
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 1, 2007.

Sir:

This is intended to be a full and complete response to the Office Action mailed February 1, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 1, 2007. Applicants submit that this Amendment and Response is timely filed.

With this Amendment and Response, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments set forth herein and consideration of the remarks provided with this paper as provided in **Amendments to the Claims** that begin on page 3, **Remarks** that begin on page 8; and **Conclusion** that begins on page 11 of this paper.